





# The Champion Chronicle

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The 1937 Christmas has passed on, but the splendid Christmas spirit displayed throughout the district is still with us, and should be carried forward into the New Year as one of man's greatest assets.

Many unhappy homes were transformed into "Home Sweet Home" by the kindly acts of individuals and combined organizations stimulated by the Christmas spirit.

What the world needs today for the welfare of all, is more of this unselfish service so prominently displayed during the Christmas season.

## WHAT WESTERN CANADA MEANS TO EASTERN CANADA

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Let us forget what Western Canada means to Eastern Canada, and what the harmonious union of both means to the continued existence of British North America as the home of a people free to go about their peaceful avocations with none to make them afraid, let us look at Canada as a whole for a few moments.

First, look at it in the light of the land-hungry nations. What would Germany or Italy not give to gain possession of the three Prairie Provinces of Canada, provinces which not only constitute one of the choicest agricultural territories in the world, but are richly endowed with metals, coal and oil?

Few people realize that these three provinces are larger than either Germany or Italy—that the three provinces together have more than double the land area of Germany and Italy combined.

Germany's land area is 131,800 square miles, Italy's is 120,000 square miles. Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba each have a land area of 260,000 square miles or more.

Now let us look at the history of these provinces.

In the first decade of this century the filling up of the West by agricultural settlement exerted a profound influence on the general development of the Dominion.

Vast amounts of capital were attracted to Canada for the construction of transportation and other facilities and the building up of such cities as Winnipeg, Regina, Saskatoon, Calgary, and Edmonton.

Where was this money spent? Largely in the East for materials for the steel and rolling stock for the railways, for agricultural implements for the new farms, home-furnishings and clothing.

This activity laid the foundation for an era of factory building that contributed greatly to the growth of the population and prosperity in the Eastern Provinces.

What built the Angus shops in the East End of Montreal and contributed most to the activity of the Point St. Charles shops in the West End?

The trade of the Western Provinces. What built up the grain ports of Fort William and Port Arthur, and made Montreal one of the world's greatest seaports?

The grain trade of the Western Provinces.

What for years has been the biggest single factor in our export trade. The Western wheat crop.

What has given the greatest amount of employment to men engaged in the inland and ocean shipping and railways centering upon Montreal?

The Western wheat crop. What single product has brought more ready cash than anything else into this country to be spent on the products of industrial Quebec and Ontario?

The grain crops of the Western Provinces.

Italy would like to invade the Western Provinces, and the Roman Empire, Germany would include the

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their possession.

And, coming nearer home, there is a general feeling in the West that the United States would be ready to assume all the obligations of the Prairie Provinces in return for the privilege of making them the 40th State of the Union.

Yet here in Eastern Canada are some who are talking as though the Western Provinces were a liability instead of an asset—some who would grudge generous help to these provinces to tide them over the trouble caused by a depression that hit these provinces harder than any other part in the Dominion.

The Western Provinces will come back—make no mistake about that. One good crop would alter the entire economic condition not only of these provinces but of the whole of Canada.

Let us as a people deal with the Western Provinces in a spirit of helpfulness in their time of trial.

Let us remember how much of our prosperity rests on the wheat and how much they mean to our future.

Let us remember that with the Western Provinces an integral part of the Dominion which is ours, we, as a young nation and yet but a small nation, have solved for us for all time the problem of room for expansion, which is creating such unrest among the land-hungry nations of Europe.



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A wedding of interest in southern Alberta was solemnized early in December in Edmonton when Mary Mackie Henderson, only daughter of John Henderson of San Francisco, formerly of Lethbridge, became the bride of George Henry Weston, only son of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Weston of University Ave., Edmonton. The ceremony was performed at the manse of the Strathcona Presbyterian church, Edmonton, by Rev. H. J. Burton. A reception was held at the home of the groom's parents immediately following the ceremony. A short honeymoon was spent in the southern part of the province. Constable and Mrs. Weston will reside in Medicine Hat, where the groom is stationed with the R. C. M. P.

Miss Henderson is well known in Champion, having visited here on several occasions.

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## Carmangay News

Service was held in the English church Christmas morning.

The cases of sickness in the district are now lessening.

Terry Nugent, who is now working on the Cator, Advance came home for the holidays.

The Hockey boys card party for Tuesday evening was postponed.

Ernie Crantz came home to spend the holiday season with his family, he has been working in Trail, B. C.

About twenty-six attended the Christmas service in the United church on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Teskey of Taber, are spending a few days at the home of the latter's brother, Vilas Teskey.

The North Priscilla club will meet on the first Wednesday in January at the home of Mrs. Gust Greene.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Berlin of Chalmersham were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vilas Teskey on Tuesday.

Don Bond came down from Glenora Christmas Day for his week end at the Taylor home. His wife who had been visiting there for the past ten days returned with him on Monday evening.

## Laiho—Downing

At 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 28th, a pretty wedding was solemnized in the United church, Carmangay, when Marjorie Olive, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Downing, became the bride of Leo Laiho, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Laiho of Barons. Rev. Peter Dawson officiated.

The church was tastefully decorated with pink and white streamers and potted plants. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was beautifully dressed in a floor length gown of cream satin with lace sleeves and yoke. She wore an orange blossom wreath and carried a bouquet of tea roses.

The bridesmaid, Miss Blanche Barber of Barons, wore an ankle length gown of blue crepe and carried a bouquet of carnations. Allan Bulford of Barons supported the groom.

Miss Dorothy McKay played the wedding march, and during the signing of the register Stanley McKay sang "I'll Be Faithful." The ushers were Roy Dayman and Stanley McKay.

Immediately following the ceremony, the wedding supper was held at the home of the bride's parents. The bride's table was centered with a three-tiered wedding cake made by an aunt of the bride.

The out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Embury, Mr. and Mrs. Chapman, Chalmersham; Mr. and Mrs. Laiho, Miss Ella Row, Barons, and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Row, Barons.

## Friends Pay Last Tribute

To Arthur Baldwin

The funeral service for the late Arthur Baldwin, who was the victim of a car accident last Thursday evening, was held in the Anglican church on Monday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. T. B. Winter. The service was attended by the local V. F. W. members, the deceased being a returned man.

Mr. Baldwin had been visiting his brother, George, and other relatives as well as old friends, as he was a former resident of this town when he had a drug and transfer business before enlisting for service in the World War. Recently he had been managing a ranch in the High River district.

## Card of Thanks

I sincerely wish to thank the people of Champion and surrounding district, also Carmangay district for helping me to succeed in winning the Grand Prize in the Alberta contest, Mae L. Todd.

## Baldwin Inquest

Exonerates Driver

An inquest into the death of Arthur William Baldwin, who was instantly killed Thursday evening, December 28th when the car in which he was riding turned over on the highway one mile south of Champion, was held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Sacco hotel. Dr. R. H. Fowles, coroner, and Constable Bill of Barons, were in charge of proceedings. The jury consisted of Ed. Griffin, foreman, Frank Caldwell, Fred Clever, R. B. Farries, Norman Patterson, and Percy Gatenby.

After the jurors had viewed the body, the first witness called was George Baldwin, brother of the deceased, who testified as to his health at the time of death and answered questions regarding his visit with his brother. Dr. Dimock, who looked the body over and pronounced it dead, testified as to the time of death and answered questions regarding his visit with his brother. Dr. Dimock, who looked the body over and pronounced it dead, testified as to the time of death and answered questions regarding his visit with his brother.

William Christensen, the first to appear on scene of the tragedy, was the third witness. Questions were asked regarding state of highway at the scene of accident, and witness denied the road was rough, but slippery. He found the Packard coupe in the ditch on the east side of road upside down, facing south. He looked in the car and found the lady driver in a dazed condition, but not injured. He found her companion in the back seat and apparently aspired. He immediately came to Champion for help. He notified Dr. Fowles and Constable Bill. He obtained aid and returned to the scene of the accident, uprighted the car, and removed occupants.

Mrs. Myrl Ferguson, driver of the car, was the fourth witness. Questions regarding her home, the witness declared she lived in Valcartier, she taught a rural school out of Barons. She was questioned as to her rate of driving at time of accident, which she said to be around 40 to 45 miles per hour, but she had slowed up for the corner. She claimed skidding was the cause of accident, but details were not clear in her mind.

Constable Bill gave evidence stating car was in perfect condition, excluding the accident as it appeared to him.

The jurors adjourned and after a short deliberation returned the verdict.

They found cause of death due to concussion and piercing of lung by wheel of car. They exonerated the driver from all blame. D. D. Farmer of Champion was in charge of funeral arrangements. The funeral was held Monday at 2.30 p.m. Carmangay, interment in the Carmangay cemetery.

## Letters To The Editor

Rapid changes are a taking place in the old world; the extent of this mass upheaval is reaching such proportions as to threaten the uprooting of humanity. Old things are tending to the scrapheap, little is left to be regarded as sacred. But in this mad rush to discard it has been wise to "hold fast that which is good."

There are some things of inestimable value for which our fathers fought and suffered and for which some of us who are four or five generations Canadians should be allowed to perish from the land.

One of these is freedom of press and speech. Shall we be so spineless and indifferent as to allow this evil to befall us? Other lands are suffering because of a gagged press; "anything can happen anywhere," so let us beware and relentlessly check this foe.

May I quote a few paragraphs from that old reliable, the Montreal Witness—Canon "Dick" Sheppard, Lord Bishop of Glasgow.

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gow University, wrote just before her recent death, "we must re-assess and reassess unmitigably the right of all to the free expression of opinion, no matter what that opinion may be or how much we disagree with it."

Indeed we can never see truth whole. But we can see freedom whole and can cleave to that. If we do truth will take care of itself. "Here," says the Witness, "is a brave word sorely needed in the present day."

Bishop Francis McConnell of the Methodist Episcopal church in U.S.A., predicts that in the next ten years will probably be more deadly warfare against free speech than has been seen in a life time. "The threat against free press, free speech and free assembly has many manifestations. It may cut many ways. Once let the spirit of intolerance raise its ugly head, and there is no knowing where it may strike." In Canada we have many men of many minds.

Repression and persecution quite commonly react inversely to their intended purpose. The Witness says,—"Bishop McConnell does well to add his voices in challenge to the lovers of freedom to hold fast that which they have."

"Wherever a government imposes a censorship against the dissemination of news and opinion it is a confession that its people are too ignorant to be trusted to discern between the truth which is true and what is false; or else it desires to hide something from the people in its own interest rather than theirs."

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## Oil Industry Hit Hard

As a special target for taxation the oil industry has surely been made the golden egg for government treasuries. In the great producing fields of the southern United States oil production is now taxed so heavily that the oil industry pays 12 percent of all taxes levied by state and local governments, although its property constitutes only 10 percent of the total true value of taxable properties within a given area. In 36 counties in Texas where intensive oil development is under way, 90 percent of all local and state taxes are collected from oil. In 22 of the largest oil producing states the additional taxes paid by oil operators range from 50 to 90 percent of the total.

Moreover the Texas oil industry, and for that matter in some other fields, bears a sale tax of more than 100 percent of the retail value of crude oil. No gift prophecy is needed to forecast that such enormous burdens must react against the industry. It is not fair to so flagrant discriminate against one industry by placing upon it such an enormous burden of taxes in a form not now generally applied to other industries. Art B. Z.

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